

## **Definitions of the Five Themes of Geography**

**Location** - where a place can be found  
(Absolute/Relative)

- An example of absolute location is the fact that Cairo, Egypt is located at 30N latitude, 31E longitude.
- An example of relative location is when we say Cairo is located south of Alexandria.

**Place** - describes what is special about an area in terms of its physical and human features, landforms, animals, cultures

- For example we might say, there are a lot of deer crocodiles swimming around in the Nile River

**Region** - a group of places that share similar features

- The Middle East is a region

**Movement** - how people, goods, and ideas go from one place to another.

- The ancient Egyptians used the Nile River to trade goods with Nubia.

**Human/Environment Interaction** – how people affect the environment where they live and how the environment affects them.

- The people of ancient Egypt used their black land along the Nile to grow crops and got an abundant yield